



## San Francisco Department of Public Health

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### Director's Report for Health Commission Meeting of September 6, 2022

*A current overview of issues affecting the state of public health in San Francisco*

<https://www.dph.org/dph/comupg/aboutdph/insideDept/dirRpts/default.asp>

*Today, there are over 175,300 San Francisco residents with confirmed cases of COVID-19. And, sadly, a total of 1,003 San Franciscans have died. The San Francisco Department of Public Health (DPH) sends our condolences to their loved ones.*

#### **MPX VACCINE AVAILABILITY EXPANSION**

DPH is ensuring a robust, public health response to the monkeypox (MPX) outbreak that aligns with our goals toward health equity and supports communities most affected by the virus. Vaccines are the best protection from MPX and one of the key strategies to lower the spread of the virus. We continue to work to distribute the vaccines to those who need it as quickly and as equitably as possible.

Beginning Tuesday, September 6, DPH, community health partners and health providers will expand eligibility for Jynneos vaccine to all gay, bisexual, trans people, and men or trans people who have sex with men or trans people.

Also, SF vaccine sites will move forward with providing the second dose of the Jynneos vaccine to people who are beyond 28 days from receiving their first dose. In San Francisco, this will also begin on Tuesday, September 6. This is in alignment with other Bay Area counties, some of whom are beginning second doses the week of August 29<sup>th</sup>.

Individuals that are eligible and seek a second dose should contact a health care provider. At this time, there are multiple health systems and clinics that have vaccine appointments available. If your primary healthcare provider does not yet carry the vaccine, please visit [sf.gov/mpx](https://sf.gov/mpx) to find locations and schedule an appointment.

All healthcare providers will continue to administer first doses and ensure that a percentage of vaccines dedicated to first doses. Additionally, the majority of second doses will be available by appointment only, as vaccine remains limited.



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DPH, healthcare and community partners continue to work with state and federal partners to obtain more vaccines. Last week, San Francisco received 8,000 doses. San Francisco is expecting to receive 13,000 doses in the next allotment. More than 95% of doses received through August 26 have been administered.

### **DPH COLLABORATION WITH SFUSD FOR BACK TO SCHOOL**

Throughout the COVID-19 pandemic, DPH has collaborated with all schools in San Francisco with a special focus on SFUSD. DPH meets with SFUSD every two weeks to discuss COVID-19 prevention and mitigation as well as other emerging health issues. During summer 2022, DPH has collaborated with schools including SFUSD on multiple health-related efforts to prepare students and their families for a safer and healthy return to school. Three issues were prioritized as a result of this collaboration: 1) COVID-19 prevention and mitigation, 2) MPX prevention and mitigation, and 3) Back to School Vaccine Clinics.

#### *COVID-19 prevention and mitigation*

With respect to schools, DPH aligned its COVID-19 prevention and mitigation with CDPH and no longer maintains local separate guidance as a result. In addition, DPH updated its protocols on reporting COVID-19 outbreaks in schools and informed SFUSD. In alignment with CDPH, schools should notify DPH when at least 5% of their site's population, including students and staff, have reported suspected or confirmed COVID-19 cases over a 14-day period. DPH has updated its [website](#) for schools with links to CDPH guidance and how to report COVID-19 outbreaks to DPH and shared with SFUSD. All schools, including SFUSD, can also receive technical support and guidance by contacting [schools-childcaresites@sfdph.org](mailto:schools-childcaresites@sfdph.org).

#### *MPX prevention and mitigation*

In response to increased number of questions from schools, DPH also issued some considerations for schools to undertake to prevent and mitigate MPX, which is now translated into Spanish, Chinese and Filipino, which can be found [here](#).

#### *Back to school vaccine events*

The COVID-19 pandemic interrupted many facets of daily life, including routine health screenings, vaccinations, and medical check-ups. To help students catch up on their standard required vaccines, DPH hosted back-to-school vaccine clinics from August 20-27 at both ZSFG Children's Health Center and Southeast Health Center. These clinics were open to all San Francisco residents who are children regardless of insurance or medical home. There was no requirement to be a SFHN patient. These clinics provided COVID-19 vaccines as well as vaccines required for school entry.



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### **DPH VIRTUAL ALL STAFF TOWN HALL**

This week DPH hosted its first ever virtual DPH All Staff Town Hall with over 1,000 staff participating from across DPH. Dr. Colfax was joined by leaders Dr. Hilary Kunins, Dr. Ayanna Bennett, and Luenna Kim to discuss their connection to DPH and San Francisco and to answer staff questions. Regretfully, leadership was unable to answer all of the staff questions, but we are planning additional ways to address more of the questions in the near future. We also distributed an online survey to staff and hope they will provide input on what they'd like to learn in upcoming meetings. DPH leadership plan to have this meeting on a quarterly basis, the next meeting is scheduled for December 8th.

### **WE ARE SFDPH RECRUITMENT VIDEO RELEASE**

DPH Human Resources in partnership with SFGOV TV developed a video titled "We are SFDPH". This video celebrates our diverse and skilled workforce and highlights our varied services. We invite you to view and share this video widely with your networks: <https://youtu.be/QRYNII6owjo>. The video will help expand and diversify our recruitments efforts as we work to build a stronger workforce to fulfill our mission – protect and promote the health and wellbeing of all San Franciscans. The video will be available on DPH'S social media channels, including LinkedIn, Facebook, Twitter, and YouTube.

### **ZSFG CELEBRATES 150<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY**

Zuckerberg San Francisco General Hospital and Trauma Center (ZSFG) marked its 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary on August 28, 2022 — a day Mayor London Breed proclaimed as "Zuckerberg San Francisco General Hospital Day" in honor of the hospital's leading role in supporting public health for the San Francisco community since 1872.

Since opening its doors on August 28, 1872, ZSFG has been a pillar of San Francisco's healthcare system, serving those most in need and providing life-saving care during some of our City's most historic moments. From the 1906 earthquake to the 1918 flu pandemic, the HIV/AIDS epidemic, to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, and the MPX epidemic, "The General" has risen to the challenge every time.

Importantly, the hospital's partnership with UCSF started at about the same time, helping to make excellence and resilience an essential part of the hospital's values and mission. ZSFG and the San Francisco General Hospital Foundation (SFGHF) will commemorate the 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary over the coming months by highlighting the storied history of ZSFG and its essential role in supporting San Franciscans, which will culminate at SFGHF's annual Hearts in SF event on February 9, 2023.



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SFGHF's annual Hearts in San Francisco public art project will also feature 10 special mini heart sculptures this year celebrating the 150th anniversary of ZSFG. Those hearts will be among the 34 total hearts to be auctioned at the annual Hearts in SF event, a tradition that has raised more than \$34 million to support patient care and innovation at ZSFG.

This milestone presents a special opportunity to celebrate the hospital's work and partnerships as well as reflect on the accomplishments of the last 150 years, as well as think about the future.

To learn more about this year-long celebration, and how you can share your own story at ZSFG, visit [www.zsfg150.org](http://www.zsfg150.org).

### **OVERDOSE AWARENESS DAY**

On Overdose Awareness Day (August 31<sup>st</sup>), DPH staff held successful public education events focused on overdose prevention and lifesaving medications.

Staff distributed 100 naloxone kits and 200 fentanyl test strips at two tabling events, which were held at 1380 Howard Street and Zuckerberg SF General Hospital. The events included displays on how to end the stigma surrounding drug use and overdose.

At the Tenderloin Center, staff and guests wrote memories, names, and stories on flowers to honor those lost to overdose and to share their experiences with overdose, substance use and recovery.

In addition, DPH partnered with the San Francisco Fire Department to release a video that educates the public about the Street Overdose Response Team. Capping the day's events, City Hall was lit up in purple in the evening to raise awareness and remember the thousands of San Franciscans who have died from drug overdoses in past years.

### **DPH TOBACCO PREVENTION WORK IN THE COMMUNITY**

The Community Health Equity and Promotion Branch's Tobacco Free Project staff were joined by the Environmental Health Branch Opportunities for All Tobacco program interns to participate in the SoMa Sunday Streets Event on August 21, 2022. The staff interacted with the SoMa and SF community to provide tobacco prevention materials in multiple languages, cessation resources and fun giveaways, and to promote DPH efforts to reduce smoking rates in San Francisco. In addition, community could sign up to become members of the San Francisco Tobacco-Free Coalition as well as sign-up for the MPX Newsletter.



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## PASSING OF DPH EMPLOYEE TIMOTHY MCDANIELS

DPH is saddened to share the news of the passing of Timothy McDaniels, a member of the Environmental Services (EVS) team at Laguna Honda Hospital (LHH), on Tuesday, August 23, 2022. Tim befriended many staff during his five years at LHH and he will be missed by many. Tim was always flexible and understanding of the many responsibilities and tasks required of EVS hospital staff. His mother and father both worked at LHH and he was known by many on his first day of work. On behalf of DPH, we extend our deepest condolences to his wife, children, grandchildren and his entire family.

## DPH TRAUMA INFORMED SYSTEMS TRAINING OPPORTUNITY

On October 6<sup>th</sup> at 11:30am, DPH staff are invited to attend an Intro to Mindfulness training from Jenee Johnson, Program Innovation Leader. Find out more by visiting the Eventbrite link:

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/387661454847>

## MPX UPDATE

LOCATION	TOTAL CASES AS OF 8/30/22 (probable and confirmed)
San Francisco	718
California	3,369
U.S.	18,101
Worldwide (83 Countries)	48,844

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### **COVID-19 UPDATE**

As of August 30:

- San Francisco's 7-day rolling average of new COVID cases per day is 152 and 62 people are hospitalized, including 12 in the ICU.
- San Francisco's remaining ICU capacity is 36.8% and remaining non-ICU capacity is 22.5%.
- Eight-five percent of all SF residents have been vaccinated and 75% have received booster dose(s).

### **[DPH in the News](#)**



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ZUCKERBERG SAN FRANCISCO GENERAL  
HOSPITAL & TRAUMA CENTER**

August 2022

**Governing Body Report - Credentialing Summary**

(8/18/2022 MEC)

	<b>8/2022</b>	<b>07/2022 to 07/2023</b>
<b>New Appointments</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>104</b>
Reinstatements	1	1
<b>Reappointments</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>109</b>
Delinquencies:		
Reappointment Denials:		
<b>Resigned/Retired:</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>56</b>
<b>Disciplinary Actions</b>		
<b>Administrative Suspension</b>		
<b>Restriction/Limitation-Privileges</b>		
<b>Deceased</b>		
<b>Changes in Privileges</b>		
Voluntary Relinquishments	13	31
Additions	30	40
Proctorship Completed	29	60

**Current Statistics – as of 7/26/22**

Active Staff **536**



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Courtesy Staff	612
Affiliated Professionals (non-physicians)	288
<b>TOTAL MEMBERS</b>	<b>1,436</b>

<b>Applications in Process</b>	<b>100</b>
<b>Applications Withdrawn Month of August 2022</b>	<b>3</b>
<b>SFGH Reappointments in Process 9/1/22 to 11/30/22</b>	<b>173</b>